EXAM TASK

Questions 1-5

For each question, choose the correct answer.

1

Chloe,

I've got to finish some homework before I go to school tomorrow and I'm terrible at getting up. Could you wake me at 6:30 in the morning? I'll catch the bus instead of walking.

Jan

- **A** Jan wants Chloe to help her with some homework.
- **B** Jan wants Chloe to drive her to school.
- **C** Jan wants Chloe to stop her sleeping too late.

2

Do you want regular information about our new college courses? Fill in the form with your contact details and email.

- **A** You can't come on a new college course unless you have completed the form.
- **B** You must complete the form to receive emails about courses starting at the college.
- **C** You need to email the college to get the form to complete before joining their courses.

3

Ten percent discount for anyone buying more than five books. Five percent discount for students on all items. (ID necessary.)

- **A** All students with ID can get a five percent discount on everything.
- **B** Students with ID must buy more than five books to save money.
- **C** Anyone can ask for a discount of five percent if they have ID.

PRACTICE EXAM: READING - Part 1 Multiple choice (short texts)

4

To: Tom **From:** Marc

Hi Tom,

Any chance of playing tennis tomorrow afternoon? I thought I was meeting Joe then but he's just texted to say he's got to visit his grandmother. See you at the club at 6?

Marc

- **A** Marc wants Tom to send a message to Joe.
- **B** Marc wants Tom to meet him the next day.
- **C** Marc wants Tom to visit a family member with him.

5

Ice on the road ahead.

Driving difficult until early evening.

Take great care.

- **A** You have just passed a difficult part of the road.
- **B** The road ahead is too dangerous to drive on.
- **C** Be careful when driving on the road during the day.

Questions 6–10

For each question, choose the correct answer.

The people below all want to visit towns.

On the opposite page there are descriptions of eight towns.

Decide which place would be most suitable for the people below.

6

Jon is hoping to find a special present for his grandmother's birthday. He also wants to visit a photography exhibition and is interested in going to the cinema in the evening.

7

Ali wants to take her children to do some water sports and have a picnic in a park with them afterwards. She doesn't drive so needs to have good public transport.

8

Cris wants to take a guided tour of the town before eating at a famous restaurant. He'd like to go to the theatre in the evening.

9

Susie would like to go to watch a sports game with some friends. She wants to go to a music concert in the evening and needs to stay overnight in cheap accommodation.

10

Wang loves art, particularly traditional painting, so he wants to see some while he's there. He's also keen on architecture and would like to see some interesting old buildings. He'd like to buy some clothes while he's there.

Different towns

A

Barnsville

This historic seaside town is full of fascinating houses built in different styles. One of the oldest of these now has collections of modern and traditional art and another holds music concerts and plays. It's not all culture because there's a modern shopping centre selling the latest fashions and a huge football stadium for sports fans to visit.

B

Appledown

You can swim in the sea or in the pool and spend time enjoying the gardens and open spaces. It's a popular resort so you should book your hotel early to avoid paying high prices. There are often exhibitions in the local museum, which are interesting for adults and children alike. It has a shop for gifts and a café for snacks.

C

Anderstown

The large arts and crafts market in the town centre sells perfect gifts. The town has a long history and there are daily tours of the most interesting areas. These start at the town hall, where there's also an exhibition of old black and white photographs of the town. For anyone who likes films there's a new entertainment complex showing the latest blockbusters.

D

Lambton

This small town has a fascinating history. You can walk round with a knowledgeable guide and explore the old streets and buildings, one of which has a well-known place to eat on the top floor. For those less interested in history there's an entertainment centre where you can see plays by new writers. Why not stay in one of our luxurious hotels?

E

Dunmount

If you're interested in art, then this is the place for you. There are three galleries to choose from, including one that specialises in photography. There are good bus connections between them so you can do them all in a day before relaxing at one of the theatres or concert halls. For sports fans there is an excellent leisure centre and pool to enjoy.

F

Newcome

You won't be bored here! It's full of open spaces perfect for eating outside and beautiful gardens to walk through. It's by the sea so you can hire a boat and there are two swimming pools offering different activities for all ages. Cars aren't allowed in the centre so there's an excellent bus service if you have shopping to carry!

G

Cambton

Famous for its football team, there's a great match most weekends and a whole museum for the history of the team. There's so much to do here that many people stay overnight as the hotels are reasonably priced and comfortable. You'll find great entertainment, including bands performing in the theatre regularly. Why not try some of the excellent food on offer at the various restaurants?

H

Harsten

Need to buy a gift? No problem! Here you can find the perfect things for a relative or friend. And while you're here why not buy yourself something to wear in one of the department stores? If anyone in your group gets bored while you shop, then leave them to watch a film or go to the local sports stadium to watch a game.

PRACTICE EXAM: READING - Part 3 Multiple choice

Questions 11–15

For each question, choose the correct answer.

Andy Thompson describes how he first learnt to dive

I was on holiday and feeling rather bored. My family were all enjoying lying on the beach, but I wanted something more exciting to do that I hadn't done before. I thought about fishing or water-skiing but when I saw an advert for diving lessons for beginners it looked like the perfect solution, even though it did seem rather expensive. When I told them my plan, my family worried about how safe it was but I did some quick research online and discovered that if you are sensible and follow the rules, it's as safe as anything else.

The course lasted two days. On the first day we had to meet at the swimming pool rather than on the beach, which I hadn't expected. Then I realised it was because we had to learn the basics before we could go into the sea. The instructor, Jenny, said the most important thing for a diver was not to be really good at swimming but to be able to move around comfortably in the water, and that was why we were going to spend the first day in the pool.

There were only four of us so it was obvious that we'd get lots of individual attention. Jenny showed us the equipment and explained how to use it and although it looked complicated, I got used to it pretty quickly. I really wanted to get out and explore the underwater world immediately but we spent all day doing different exercises in the pool until we felt totally confident about being underwater. I'm a good swimmer but one person on the course was very nervous and needed a lot of help.

On the second day we went into the sea. The boat stayed close to shore and before we went in Jenny reminded us of everything we had learnt and put us into pairs so we could help each other. The water was incredibly clear and we were surrounded by groups of fish almost immediately. It was fascinating and I couldn't believe my eyes. I had so much to tell my family afterwards! I'll definitely go diving again.

11 Why did Andy decide to take the diving course?

- **A** to please his family
- **B** to have a new experience
- **C** to do something dangerous
- **D** to take advantage of a special offer

12 What surprised Andy on the first day of the course?

- **A** where they had to meet
- **B** the special skills a diver needed
- **C** how important it was to be a good swimmer
- **D** how short the course was

13 What annoyed Andy about being in the pool?

- **A** the type of practice exercises they had to do there
- **B** how difficult the equipment there was to use
- **C** what kind of advice he was given there
- **D** how long he had to spend there before going in the sea

14 How did Andy feel after diving in the sea?

- **A** proud of what he had done
- **B** happy that nothing had gone wrong
- **C** amazed by what he had seen
- **D** sad that his family had not been with him

15 What might a member of his family say about Andy's experience of learning to dive?

- **A** He enjoyed it and recommended the diving course to me.
- **B** It had ups and downs but he felt the second day made it worthwhile.
- **C** He thought it was over-priced for the amount of training he got.

PRACTICE EXAM: READING - Part 4 Gapped text

EXAM TASK

Questions 16-20

Five sentences have been removed from the text below.

For each question, choose the correct answer.

There are three extra sentences which you do not need to use.

A fantastic opportunity

I was working as a photographer in my home town and at the time I was quite happy with my job and my life. Most of my work involved attending events like weddings, taking baby photos and normal things like that. **16** ___ The best part of the job was meeting different types of people and feeling that my photographs made them happy.

I worked for myself so I was able to take time off whenever I wanted. **17** ___ For that reason, I often went on several short holidays during the year, travelling to different countries. I did this for two reasons. One was the experience I was able to have of very different cultures and lifestyles. **18** ___ I particularly enjoyed taking shots of birds and animals and I always posted these on social media when I returned home.

One day after returning from a particularly exciting trip in the mountains where I'd taken loads of pictures of wildlife, I got an unexpected phone call from a wildlife charity. They were looking for a photographer to take pictures of rare animals and they liked my pictures. They offered me the chance to travel to South Asia with their team to take photographs of snow leopards. **19** ___ Then I thought – why not? I will only regret it if I don't!

I took up the opportunity and it was an amazing experience that I was keen to repeat. **20** ___ What I do now is specialise in taking wildlife pictures. Sometimes it's hard because rare animals live in remote areas which can be difficult to get to, but it's so rewarding. I can't imagine ever wanting to do anything different.

A That's why I decided to say yes.

B The other was the chance to take unusual photographs.

C So after that first trip with the charity I gave up my old job.

D I enjoyed doing most of these.

E I dislike working longer hours now than I used to.

F It was nice to have that choice and it gave me freedom.

G They didn't understand my decision.

H I wasn't sure whether to accept or not.

EXAM TASK

Questions 21-26

For each question, choose the correct answer.

Water polo

Water polo is a sport which started in Scotland at the end of the nineteenth century. William Wilson, a man who was **(21)** ____________ on competitive swimming, created a team game that could be played with a ball in water. He wrote down some clear **(22)** ____________ and called it aquatic football, although at the time other people compared it with other sports. Some described it as **(23)** ____________ to rugby but played in water. The first public game was played in the River Dee in Scotland and it became popular after that, perhaps because people didn't need much **(24)** ____________ to play it.

In 1885 the Swimming Association of Great Britain **(25)** ____________ on calling it water polo. People began playing it in Europe, the USA and Australia, and men's water polo was one of the first team sports introduced in the Olympic Games in 1900. However, the first women's Olympic water polo competition was not **(26)** ____________ until 2000.

21	A	pleased	B	interested	C	keen	D	excited
22	A	articles	B	plans	C	reports	D	rules
23	A	typical	B	similar	C	like	D	same
24	A	equipment	B	property	C	furniture	D	material
25	A	demanded	B	ordered	C	discussed	D	insisted
26	A	kept	B	had	C	held	D	placed

EXAM TASK

Questions 27-32

For each question, write the correct answer.

Write one word for each gap.

My visit to Australia

Whenever I travel somewhere new, I try to find out about the place before I go. This was important **(27)** ____________ I went to Australia last year because it is such a long way away and I didn't want to waste a moment of my time there. My plane landed in Sydney and I **(28)** ____________ immediately impressed by the beautiful harbour area. Of course, I also had to visit the famous Bondi Beach and try surfing – I can tell you it's harder **(29)** ____________ it looks!

There are different landscapes in Australia, from deserts to mountains, and **(30)** ____________ they are all interesting, I enjoyed driving along the Great Ocean Road the most. I wanted to see some real wildlife, **(31)** ____________ I did see lots of kangaroos, but I only saw a koala bear in a zoo.

Australia is such a big country it's impossible to do everything in one visit so one day I want to **(32)** ____________ back!

PRACTICE EXAM: WRITING - Part 1 Email

EXAM TASK

You must answer this question.

Write your answer in about 100 words.

Question 1

Read this email from your English-speaking friend Sam and the notes you have made.

From: Sam **Subject:** Next weekend

Hello!

It's great that you're coming to see me next weekend – I can't wait! ← Agree.

Last time you came we went to the theatre. Shall I get tickets again this time or shall we just go to the cinema instead? ← Tell Sam which ...

You enjoy shopping, so would you like to go to the new shopping centre outside town? ← No, because ...

Is there anything else you'd like to do while you're here? ← Suggest ...

See you soon,

Sam

Write your **email** to Sam using **all the notes**.

PRACTICE EXAM: WRITING - Part 2 Article or Story

EXAM TASK

Choose one of these questions.

Write your answer in about 100 words.

Question 2

You see this announcement on an English-language website.

Articles wanted!

Technology!

What kind of technology do you use most? Is there any technology you don't like using so much? Why? How easy would it be to live without it?

Write an article answering these questions and we will put it on our website!

Write your **article**.

Question 3

Your English teacher has asked you to write a story.

Your story must begin with this sentence.

As soon as Peter met Harry in town he knew that something exciting was going to happen.

Write your **story**.

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For Part 6:
Write your answers clearly in the spaces next to the numbers (27 to 32) like this: 0 ENGLISH

Write your answers in CAPITAL LETTERS.

Part 1			
1	A ○	B ○	C ○
2	A ○	B ○	C ○
3	A ○	B ○	C ○
4	A ○	B ○	C ○
5	A ○	B ○	C ○

Part 2								
6	A ○	B ○	C ○	D ○	E ○	F ○	G ○	H ○
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Part 3				
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15	A ○	B ○	C ○	D ○

Part 4								
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Part 5				
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24	A ○	B ○	C ○	D ○
25	A ○	B ○	C ○	D ○
26	A ○	B ○	C ○	D ○

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You must write within the grey lines.

Write your answer for Part 1 below. Do not write on the barcodes.

Question 1

You must write within the grey lines.

Answer only one of the two questions for Part 2.
Tick the box to show which question you have answered.
Write your answer below. Do not write on the barcodes.

Part 2	Question 2 ☐	Question 3 ☐

PRACTICE EXAM: LISTENING - Part 1 Multiple choice (pictures)

EXAM TASK

Questions 1–7

PE01 For each question, choose the correct answer.

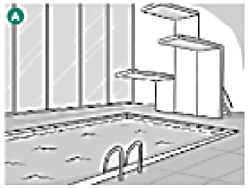
1 What time will the bus leave for the coast?

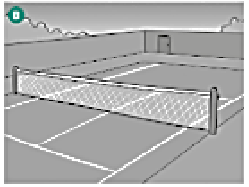
A

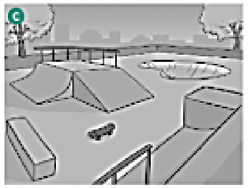
B

C

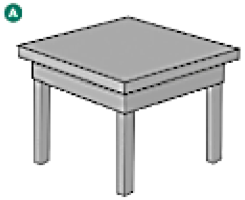
2 Where are the friends going at the weekend?

A 

B 

C 

3 What has the girl already bought for her apartment?

A 

B

C

4 Which suitcase will the boy take on holiday?

A

B

C

5 How much did the girl pay for her scarf?

A

B

C

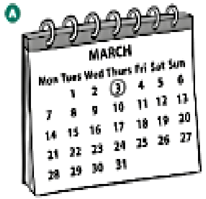
6 Which one is the girl's cousin?

A

B

C

7 What date does the football competition start?

A 

B

C

PRACTICE EXAM: LISTENING – Part 2 Multiple choice

EXAM TASK

Questions 8–13

PE02 **For each question, choose the correct answer.**

8 You will hear two friends talking about a musical they saw at the theatre. What do they both think about it?

A The show was funny.
B The songs were good.
C The singers were excellent.

9 You will hear two friends talking about a shopping website they often use. Why does the man like it?

A The prices are cheap.
B The links are easy to use.
C The delivery service is reliable.

10 You will hear a woman telling her friend about buying concert tickets. What was she upset about?

A how long it took to pay
B how expensive they were
C how difficult it was to choose seats

11 You will hear a man telling a friend about a trip to a different city. Why did he go there?

A to see an old friend
B to watch an event
C to visit a museum

12 You will hear two friends talking about some changes in their sports club. What is the woman doing?

A describing how people feel about them
B explaining the reasons for them
C complaining about their effect

13 You will hear two friends talking about a new shopping centre. What do they agree about it?

A It's going to be popular.
B The location is convenient.
C It has a useful car park.

PRACTICE EXAM: LISTENING – Part 3 Sentence completion

EXAM TASK

Questions 14–19

PE03 **For each question, write the correct answer in the gap. Write one or two words or a number or a date or a time.**

You will hear a woman called Ali giving a presentation about her visit to an old castle.

Ali's visit to an old historic castle

Ali was surprised about the importance of the **(14)** .... of the castle.

Ali enjoyed listening to all the stories about **(15)** .... the guides told visitors.

Ali's favourite part of the castle was the **(16)** .... because of the view.

Ali was glad that there was a **(17)** .... in part of the main building.

Ali's ticket cost **(18)** £ .... , which she didn't think was expensive.

Ali is looking forward to going to some **(19)** .... at the castle next year.

PRACTICE EXAM: LISTENING - Part 4 Multiple choice

EXAM TASK

Questions 20–25

PE04 **For each question, choose the correct answer.**

You will hear an interview with a man called Jacamo Gomes, a young dancer who has just joined a professional ballet company.

20 What does Jacamo like most about dance?

- **A** He enjoys the music.
- **B** It makes him feel good.
- **C** It's similar to gymnastics.

21 Jacamo got the idea of becoming a dancer when

- **A** a teacher gave him some advice.
- **B** his friend took him to a particular class.
- **C** he identified his favourite form of dance.

22 Jacamo thinks that when training, a young dancer must

- **A** feel strongly about what they're doing.
- **B** concentrate on their movements.
- **C** accept help with mistakes they make.

23 How did Jacamo feel about the dance competition he took part in?

- **A** confident that he was the best
- **B** worried about the other dancers
- **C** surprised about the result

24 When talking about joining a professional dance company, Jacamo feels

- **A** excited about the new opportunities.
- **B** confused about how to manage his time.
- **C** pleased that the routine will be familiar.

25 Jacamo advises young dancers to

- **A** aim for perfection.
- **B** take every chance that comes.
- **C** choose which auditions to go to carefully.

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7	O	O	O

Part 2	A	B	C
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Part 4	A	B	C
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23	O	O	O
24	O	O	O
25	O	O	O